



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

William DROHAN *et al.*

Appl. No. 08/479,038

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For: **Supplemented and
Unsupplemented Tissue Sealants,
Methods of Their Production and
Use**

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Submission Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants request that the finality of the final rejection dated October 30, 1997, be withdrawn in view of this timely filed first, or second submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a). Our Check No. 23184 is enclosed for payment of the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(r). The present application has an effective pendency of at least two years as of June 8, 1995, taking into account any reference of record to any earlier filed application under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120, 121 and 365(c). This petition and the fee set forth in § 1.17(r) are being filed prior to the filing of an appeal brief and prior to abandonment of the application. Applicants therefore respectfully request that and any previously unentered submission be entered.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in accompanying documents. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby

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petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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